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Huguenot Refugee Family of Chassereau.

Arms.—*Gules, a chevron between three lions' heads erased Or.* **Crest.**—*A demi-chevalier, brandishing a sword proper.*

Directors of the French Hospital of "La Providence":—

1761.	8 Juil.	François Chassereau.
1794.	9 Avril.	Robert Williams.
1795.	8 Juil.	Samuel Jaumard.

Jaques* Chassereau, of Niort, in the Department of the Two Sévres. = Marianne.

- François Chassereau. Born at Niort 1698. Escaped to England, it is said, in 1712, when æt. 14, "being secreted," according to a tradition common to many Huguenot families, "on board the ship in a barrel." Naturalized by Act of Parliament the 16th Geo. II., 1743. = Anne, dau. of . . . . Johannot, of Eynsford, co. Kent.
  - Francis Chassereau. Bapt. 20 Aug. 1729, at St. Martin's in y^e Fields. Died 1767, æt. 37, and bur. at Marylebone. Will dated 7 May 1761. Proved by the relict 13 April 1767, with power reserved to the brother-in-law, Captain John Williams, of Firnhole, Wanstead, Essex. (127, Legard.) = Honor, 3rd dau. of Robert Williams, of Charminster, co. Dorset, Esq. Died 1803, æt. 73. Will dat. 7 March 1794, and pr. in the P.C.C. 3 Dec. 1803. (955, Marriott.)
    - Francis. Born 1769. Died s.p. — John Hugh. Born 1770. Died inf.
    - William Hugh Burgess. Born 1772. Died 1851. = Elizabeth, dau. of Sir Charles Burdett, 4th Bart. Mar. 14 Jan. 1802. Died 22 Feb. 1819.
    - John Burgess. Born 1773. Died 1847. = Jane Maria, dau. of William Foster, Esq., of . . . . co. York. Born 1788. Mar. 1811. Died 1833.
    - Boughey Burgess. Born 1775. Died 1846. = Eliza, dau. of . . . . Barrett. Born 1780. Mar. 1802. Died 1838.
    - Edward Burgess. Born 1776. Died 1829. = Mary, dau. of Isaac Rutton of Ospringe, co. Kent. Born 17 . . Died 1850.
    - Bryant Burgess. Born 1778. Died 1846. = Margaret Loftie, dau. of Rev. Matthias Rutton. Born 1785. Mar. 1810. Died 1862.
  - Anne. Born 30 March 1732, and bapt. 12 April at le Temple de Soho. Sponsors, Bernard Scalé and Esther Chassereau.
  - Esther. Bapt. at St. Martin's in the Fields 16 Feb. 1734. Mar. 1768. Died 1 May, 1825, æt. 91. = Hugh Burgess, Esq., of . . . . Born 1738. Died 1809.
- Antoine Chassereau. = Esther Larcher. Mar. at St. Martin's, Feb. 1727.

A B

* "2 May 1714. Jaques Chassereau, sa femme et deux enfans, avec Françoise Marie Chassereau fille de Jacob Chassereau, tous de Niort en Poitou, se sont presentées pour faire recognoissance de leur faute en assistant à la messe en France et ont esté receu Membres de cette Eglise par M. Pegorié, Ministre de cette Eglise." (Leicester Fields Register.)

A

Alexander Lafon. Died and bur. at Marylebone 1799, leaving issue by his first wife, Persommée . . . . who died before 1787.

= Margaret. Mar. to her 2nd husband 2 Feb. 1801. Died 1813. Will dat. 26 Oct. 1807, and pr. 7 Feb. 1814 (73, Bridport).

= Samuel Jaumard,* Esq., of Marylebone. Born 2 July 1733. Died and bur. in Paddington Churchyard 1827, leaving issue by his first wife, Mary, dau. of Rev. John Peter Bernard, who died in 1798, five sons and three daughters. Will pr. April 1827 (242, Heber).

B

Elizabeth Anne. Died 4 April 1808, æt. 71.

= (? Henry) Howley, Esq., uncle to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Jane. Born 12 Nov. 1739, o. s. M. 27 Oct. 1764. Died 8 Oct. 1841, æt. 101.

= Robert Williams (brother to the aforesaid Honor), of Moor Park, Herts, and Bridehead, co. Dorset. Banker of London, and M.P. for Dorchester. Died 17 Jan. 1814.

Robert Williams of Bridehead, co. Dorset. Born 11 Feb. 1767. Alderman and Sheriff of City of London, 1796-7. Returned ten successive times to Parliament: twice for Wootton Basset, once for Kilkenny, and seven times for Dorchester.

= Frances, youngest dau. of John Turner, Esq., of Putney. Mar. 28 Aug. 1794. Died 25 Sept. 1841.

See 'Landed Gentry.'

William Williams. Born 28 March 1774. Died Feb. 1839. Of Portland Place, London, and Castle Hall, co. Dorset. Sometime M.P. for Weymouth and Melcomb Regis.

= Anne, eldest dau. of John Rashleigh, Esq., of Penquite, co. Cornwall. Mar. 30 Nov. 1797. Died 18 April 1855.

Anne. B. 30 July 1770. D. 27 Dec. 1846.

= Rev. Edward Aubery of Long Bredy, Dorset, d. s.p.

Harriett. Mar. 24 May 1808. Died 7 July 1831.

= Sir John Colman Rashleigh, 1st Bart. (brother to Anne Williams). Born 23 Nov. 1772. Died 4 Aug. 1847.

Sophia. Died 1821. 1st w.

= Rev. John William Cunningham, St. John's Coll. Camb. A.B. 1802. A.M. 1805. V. of Harrow. D. 30 Sept. 1861.

Francis Chassereau. B. 1765. In 1803 of Ottery S. Mary's, Devon, and later of Kemsey, co. Worcester. Died 1834, s.p.

= Jane Renshaw of Cheshunt, Herts. Mar. at St. Martin in the Fields 23 Jan. 1787.

Anne. Born 1755. Mar. at St. Martin in the Fields 17 Aug. 1785. Died 1804.

C

= Robert Pouncy, Capt. of the H. E. I. Co.'s Naval Service. (Her cousin, being son of Henry Pouncy, Esq., of Dorchester, by Elizabeth, 2nd dau. of Robert Williams.)

Elizabeth. Born 13 Feb. 1758. Mar. at St. Martin's in the Fields 8 Sep. 1784. His 2nd wife. Died Feb. 1829.

D

= Rev. Thomas Coombe,† D.D., Rector of S. Michael's, Queenhithe, Chaplain to George III., and Prebendary of Canterbury Cathedral. Born in Philadelphia 12 Oct., and there bapt. at Christ Church 5 Nov. 1747. Died in Hertford Street, 14 July 1822. M.I. in Marylebone Ch.

E

* Samuel Jaumard was son, by his first wife Sophie, dau. of Elie Detandebaratz, a Refugee from Rochelle, of Samuel Jaumard, 3rd child, by Susanna Jousseaume his wife, a native of Niort, of the Rev. John Jaumard, a Refugee from Talmont in Lower Poitou, and Vicar of Arundel, in Sussex, 1686-94.

† Dr. Coombe was also a refugee for conscience sake. Proscribed, imprisoned, and banished as a loyalist, he left his native city, where he had already won high reputation as a preacher, and came to this country in 1778. He was a man of mark, on terms of friendship and in warm sympathy with such men as Benjamin Franklin and Anthony Benezet, and in London admitted to the set to which belonged Garrick, Goldsmith, Johnson, and Sir Joshua Reynolds. He continued for many years Private Chaplain to Lord Carlisle, and, amongst his earlier preferments, was somewhile Minister of Curzon Street Chapel, and Vicar of Tenterden, Kent, a living he resigned in 1806 in favour of his eldest son by his first wife, the Rev. John Riché Coombe, born 21 May 1774, in Philadelphia, where his father had married, 13 May 1773, Sarah Anne Leake, eldest dau. of Bernard Badger by Susannah his wife, dau. of Philip Riché of Hempsted Long Island, son, by Susanne Bridou, of Denis Riché, who emigrated from one of the maritime provinces of France *circ.* 1700. See a 'Memoir' [privately printed] by Mr. C. R. Hildeburn of Philadelphia, to whom the Compiler's thanks are due for much ready help and information.

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Anne. Mar. 1821. Died 1855. Bur. at St. Leonard's on Sea. = Hon. Sir George Rose, Bencher of the Inner Temple, Judge of the Court of Review, Master in Chancery, F.R.S. Born 1782. Died at Brighton 3 Dec. 1873, æt. 91, and bur. at Kensal Green.

Several children, who died in infancy.

Sophia. Died 20 April 1875.

Eliza. Born 3 May 1786. Died 30 March 1869. Of Southover, Lewes.

Jane. Died 2 Feb. 1811, æt. 16, and bur. at Marylebone.

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Sophia. Died young.

Charlotte. Born 1790. Died 14 Aug. 1859. Of Hertford Street, Mayfair.

Rev. Thomas Coombe. Born 11 Nov. 1796. Died at Ramsgate 7 Jan. 1876, and bur. in Brompton Cemetery. Pet. Camb. A.B. 1821; A.M. 1824. Somewhile Rector of Girton, and J.P. for co. Camb. = Anne Maria, 2nd dau. of Melchior Henry Wagner. Born 24 June 1788. Mar. at St. James, Piccadilly, 8 Dec. 1818. Died 19 Nov. 1844, and bur. at Girton, co. Camb.

Jane Sophia. Died 25 May 1840, æt. 79. Bur. at Finchley. = John Williams Pouncy, Esq., of Finchley. Died 10 April 1841, æt. 89.

Sylvia. Born . . . . 1763. Died 27 Nov. 1847. = George Skinner,* Esq. Born 1763. Died 1821. Of Park Street, Westminster, and Collumpton, Devon.

Henry. Died unmarried 6 March 1857, æt. 72.

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Gilbert. Died unmarried 1 July 1865, æt. 73.

Anne. Died unmarried 17 June 1854, æt. 67.

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Elizabeth Chassereau. Died unmarried 22 Nov. 1852, æt. 64.

Jane. = John Bridge, Esq., of Weymouth.

Mary Skinner. Died 4 Nov. 1873, s.p. = Rev. Robert Allen. Born 1793. New Coll. Oxford, B.C.L. 1819. Rector of Barcombe, Sussex, 1826, and Prebendary of Chichester Cathedral. Died 1877.

Rev. George Skinner. Born 12 Sept. 1796. Fell. of Jesus Coll. Camb. A.B. 1818; A.M. 1821. Mar. 1 Oct. 1835. Died 7 Aug. 1871, and bur. at Brighton. = Lucy Elizabeth Dorothy, dau. of Alex^r Dury, Lt.-Col. Gren. Guards (of a Huguenot Refugee Family). Born 25 April 1800. Died 29 March 1880, and bur. at Brighton.

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* He was descended from Robert Skinner, Bishop successively of Bristol, Oxford, and Worcester, 1637-70, whose arms, which appear in a window at Bristol, were Sable, a chevron or between three griffins' heads erased argent.

N.B.—The only authority for the arms is that of private family information. It may be added that thirty years since there still existed in East London, in close proximity to the Eastern Counties Railway, an inn known under the sign of "The Chassereau Arms."

This family is believed to be extinct in the male line, but there were other Refugees of the name, which occurs in the Registers of St. Anne's, Soho, St. Giles, and St. Martin's in the Fields. A few instances are added :—At St. Anne's, Soho, were married, in July 1727, Peter Chassereau and Anne Bouvot, who in 1740 were living in Berwick Street. The latter died in this year, and in her will, witnessed by Paul Menetrie and Albertine de Pontieu de Rigaut, she makes her husband sole heir and executor, and "if there shall be any one, whether of France, of Holland, or of England, who shall pretend to my succession, he shall be cut off with a shilling." On 30 May 1736, at St. Giles in ye Fields, was bapt. James Servant, son of Anthony and *Elizabeth* Chassereau. On 21 Aug. 1754 were married, at St. Anne's, with Lic. Archbp. Cant., Matthew Gourjon and Mary Anne Chassereau, both of that parish; and at the same church was buried, 2 Aug. 1773, an Eleanor Chassereau.

Chassereaus (presumably of Huguenot origin) are also to be found to this day, in the humbler walks of life, in the county of Sussex.

An Act for Naturalizing Daniel Vialars,* Peter Thomegay, and others.

Anno 16° Georg. ij^di
N° 3.

Humbly beseech your most Excellent Majesty, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, Daniel Vialars Son of Anthony Vialars by Anne his wife born at Saint Antonin in Rouergue, Peter Thomegay Son of Marc Thomegay by Renie his wife born at Geneva, Francis Chassereau Son of James Chassereau by Mariana his wife born at Niort in Poitou in France, John Lewis Demarin Son of Abraham Demarin by Margaret his wife born at Geneva, and Daniel† Lagier Lamotte Son of Claude Lagier Lamotte by Mary his wife born at Geneva, out of your Majesty's Allegiance, having constantly professed the true Protestant Religion, and given testimony of their Loyalty and Fidelity to your Majesty, and the good of this Kingdom of Great Britain, That it may be enacted, And be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advise and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, That they the said Daniel Vialars, Francis Chassereau, and others, shall be and are hereby from henceforth Naturalized, and shall be adjudged and taken to all intents and purposes to be Naturalized, and as free-born subjects of this Kingdom of Great Britain ; And they are, and shall be, from henceforth adjudged reputed and taken, to be in every Condition Respect and Degree, free, to all Intents Purposes and Constructions as if they had been born natural subjects within this Kingdom of Great Britain. And be it further Enacted Declared and Ordained by the authority aforesaid, that they the said Daniel Vialars, Peter Thomegay, Francis Chassereau, John Lewis Demarin, and Daniel Lagier Lamotte, shall be and are hereby enabled and adjudged able to all Intents Purposes and Constructions whatsoever to inherit and be inheritable and

* Daniel Vialars, somewhile a London Merchant in Austin Friars, mar. at Spring Garden, 13 Aug. 1743, Susan Mettayer, and became a Director of the French Hospital 20 April 1757. He appears to have returned to his native country, and on 4 May 1786, being then a childless widower at Montauban, made his will, which was proved in London on the 11th October following by Marie Jeanne, dau. of his cousin-german, Jean Zacharie Arnaud, afterwards wife of M. Viesseux, naming therein various relatives in France.

† Daniel and his brother, John Lagier Lamotte, naturalized in 1733, from whom the La Mottes of this day descend, as also in the female line the Du Bonlays and Cazenoves, and Lord Tenterden, were sons, as above recorded, of Claude Lagier *dit* La Motte, who was admitted to the citizenship of Geneva 11 Dec. 1694, being son of the Sieur Antoine Lagier de la Motte en Dauphiné. This Daniel died in 1770, being then of Norton Folgate, bachelor, and letters of adm'on were granted on the 26th October to John, his brother and only next of kin.

inherited, And to Demand, Challenge, ask take retain, have and enjoy all or any Manors Lands Tenements Hereditaments Goods Chattels, Debts, Estates, and all other Privileges Immunities Benefits and Advantages in Law and Equity belonging to the Liege People and natural born subjects of this Realm, and to make their Resort or Pedigree as Heirs to their Ancestors Lineal or Collateral by reason of any Descent Remainder Reverter Right Title Conveyance Legacy or Bequest whatsoever which hath may or shall from henceforth descend remain revert accrue or grow due unto them ; As also from henceforth to take have retain keep and enjoy all Manors Lands Tenements and Hereditaments which they may or shall have by way of Purchase or Gift of any Person or Persons whatsoever, and to personate pursue maintain avow justify and defend all and all manner of actions suits and causes, and all other things to do as lawfully liberally freely and surely, as if they had been born of British Parents within this Kingdom of Great Britain and as any Person or Persons born or derived from British Parents within this Kingdom may lawfully in any wise do ; And they the said Daniel Vialars Peter Thomegay Francis Chassereau John Lewis Demarin and Daniel Lagier Lamotte in all things and to all Intents and Purposes shall be taken to be, and shall be natural liege subjects of this Kingdom of Great Britain any Law Act Statute Provision Custom Ordinance or other matter or thing whatsoever had made done promulged proclaimed or provided to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Provided always and it is hereby declared and enacted That they the said Daniel Vialars, Peter Thomegay, Francis Chassereau, John Lewis Demarin, and Daniel Lagier Lamotte or either of them shall not hereby be enabled to be of the Privy Council, or a Member or Members of either House of Parliament or to take any Office or Place of Trust either Civil or Military, or to have any Grant of Lands Tenements or Hereditaments from the Crown to themselves or any other Person or persons in Trust for them or either of them, Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ashley Cowper,
Cler. Parliamentor.

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